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FROM:

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DATE:

February 11, 2009

SUBJECT:

FOURTH EXTERNAL REVIEWER APPROVED FOR KLAMATH RIVER

**TMDL** 

In response to your request for peer reviewers for the subject noted above, the University of California, through an Interagency Agreement with Cal/EPA, identified candidates it considered qualified to perform this assignment. Each candidate was required to complete and sign a Conflict of Interest Disclosure form. On February 2, 2009, I sent you a letter identifying three reviewers I approved after reviewing their disclosure forms, and subsequent discussions with them.

Today, I am sending you the name and contact information for a fourth reviewer I have approved for this assignment.

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Biographical information for Professor Characklis is provided with this memorandum.

Considering the number of pages you are sending the reviewers, I recommend that you provide this reviewer a hard copy of the material. You can enquire if he would prefer an electronic copy as well. Ask him if his preferred mailing address is different from that given above.

Please contact Professor Characklis right away. Tell him when you will transmit the material. He has accepted the assignment based on the date of availability given in your letter of request to me. If preparation of the material is delayed, ask him if the new date is acceptable, including me as a "cc." If subsequent delays occur, inform him and me as soon as possible. I am often contacted by reviewers and the University if delays occur and reviewers are not kept up to date.

Provide a cover letter to initiate the review process. Include with it your request letter to me, which provides a concise synopsis for your intended actions, and its three attachments. Please inform him that his review must follow the guidance provided in Attachment 2.

When his review have been completed, please let me know for the peer review files I keep here.

If I can provide additional help, contact me at any time during the review process.

## **Attachments**

cc: Holly Lundborg, North Coast Water Board David Leland, North Coast Water Board Katherine Carter, North Coast Water Board Sheila Vassey, Office of Chief Counsel Rik Rasmussen, Division of Water Quality